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## CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS IN TEXAS.

According to the last information received, cerebrospinal meningitis is still present in Dallas, Fort Worth, Galveston, Waco, and many small towns in Texas. At Dallas the average number of new cases was at the time of the last report about 7 daily, at Fort Worth about 3, and at Waco 1 or 2 daily. The sanitary campaign includes the house quarantine of direct contacts until they are shown not to be carriers.

Surg. Guiteras at Galveston reports the occurrence of 3 new cases of cerebrospinal meningitis at Galveston on February 3, 1 new case February 5, 1 new case February 6, and 1 new case each February 8 and 9.

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## CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS IN OKLAHOMA.

With cerebrospinal meningitis present in Texas, it was to be expected that the disease would be found occurring in the neighboring States. Information for the State of Oklahoma is available, showing that from December 1, 1911, to January 25, 1912, a total of 72 positive and 2 suspected cases had been reported from 14 counties, as follows:

County.	Cases.	Deaths.
Garvin.....	3	13
Carter.....	5	4
Bryan.....	14	9
Love.....	17	7
Marshall.....	4	.....
McClain.....	<sup>2</sup> 3	2
Pittsburg.....	<sup>2</sup> 1	.....
Comanche.....	<sup>3</sup> 7	2
Johnson.....	1	11
McCurtain.....	1	11
Murray.....	1	11
Osage.....	10	4
Choctaw.....	2	.....
Pontotoc.....	2	12
Pawnee.....	3	.....
Total.....	74	36

<sup>1</sup> Free of disease Jan. 25.

<sup>2</sup> One suspect.

<sup>3</sup> Three in one family.

Considering that the disease is perhaps always present to some extent, this is not a large number of cases. The State department of health seems to have taken every possible means of keeping itself informed of the situation by the cooperation of the local authorities and the prompt reporting of cases and to have materially controlled the spread of the disease by the distribution of bulletins and circulars relative to its prevention and treatment, by the detail of trained men to the infected localities, and by the prompt examination by the State bacteriologist of specimens forwarded for diagnosis.